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Electronic Health Records and Technology on the Battlefield Helping Troops

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Agenda



- » **System Overview**
- » **Challenges and Solutions**
- » **System Interoperability**
- » **Software Demonstration**
- » **Potential Civilian Applicability**

Mission



Provide an integrated suite of automated medical information management solutions to support the theater medical business practice

TMIP-J Mission Pillars



**Electronic
Health Record**



**Command
& Control**



**Medical
Logistics**



**Patient
Movement**



Legislation



"...every Soldier, Sailor, Airman and Marine will have a comprehensive, life-long medical record..."

Source: Special report of the Presidential Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans' Illness, 1997

"The Secretary of Defense shall establish a system to assess the medical condition of members of the armed forces...who are deployed."

Title 10; Section 1074f (1997): Medical tracking system for members deployed overseas

"When available, TMIP tools will be used to capture inpatient and outpatient encounters."

ASD(HA) memo; 2005; Expanded use of automated medical data collection and patient tracking applications

Historical Challenges



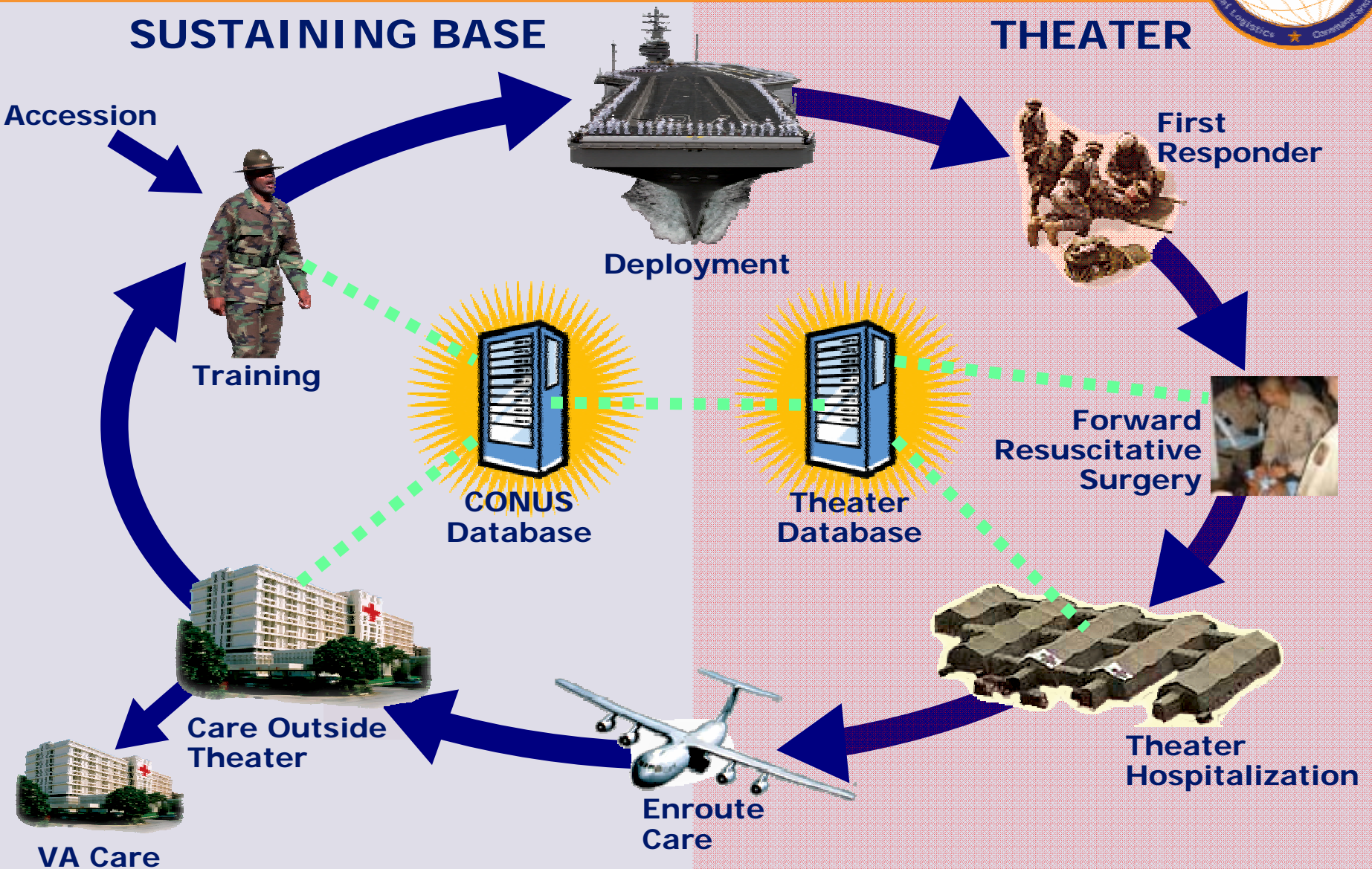
- » **No electronic record input from theater**
- » **Limited visibility of medical logistics and blood status**
- » **No visibility of patient tracking within theater**
- » **Minimal or no telecommunications infrastructure**
- » **No integration between theater and sustaining base applications**
- » **No capability to electronically aggregate data for medical situational awareness and surveillance**

Technical Solutions



- » **Electronic patient care documentation**
- » **Medical logistics and blood management**
- » **Similar functionality between theater and sustaining base**
- » **Casualty tracking**
- » **Operates in austere communication environments**
- » **Medical planning, surveillance, and Command & Control**
- » **Scalable, flexible and portable**

Continuum of Care



Theater Complement to MHS



Sustaining Base

- » The Military's longitudinal electronic health record
- » Robust communications infrastructure
- » Medical logistics
- » Environmental health
- » Other sustaining base systems
- » Large footprint

Theater

- » Operates in austere communications environments
- » One system of record
- » Portable, modular
- » Medical surveillance
- » Logistics and patient movement visibility
- » Provides theater data to the Military's electronic health record



Analogy



Integration



Developmental Partners

Clinical Information
Technology Program
Office (CITPO)

Telemedicine & Advanced
Technology Research
Center (TATRC)

Theater Medical
Information Program
- Joint (TMIP-J)

Resource Information
Technology Program
Office (RITPO)

Defense Medical
Logistics Standard
Support (DMLSS)

United States
Transportation
Command
(USTRANSCOM)

Other
Partners



Applications

AHLTA Theater
CHCS NT
AHLTA Warrior

AHLTA Mobile
TeleHealth

JMeWS
JMAT
JTTR

CHCS CACHE
DOEHS
JPTA

DCAM
PMITS
TEWLS
DMLSS
T-DBSS

TRAC2ES

SAMS
GEMS



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Theater Medical Information Program

Military Infrastructure Programs



Deploying the Theater Medical Information Program - Joint Software Suite

AHLTA Mobile



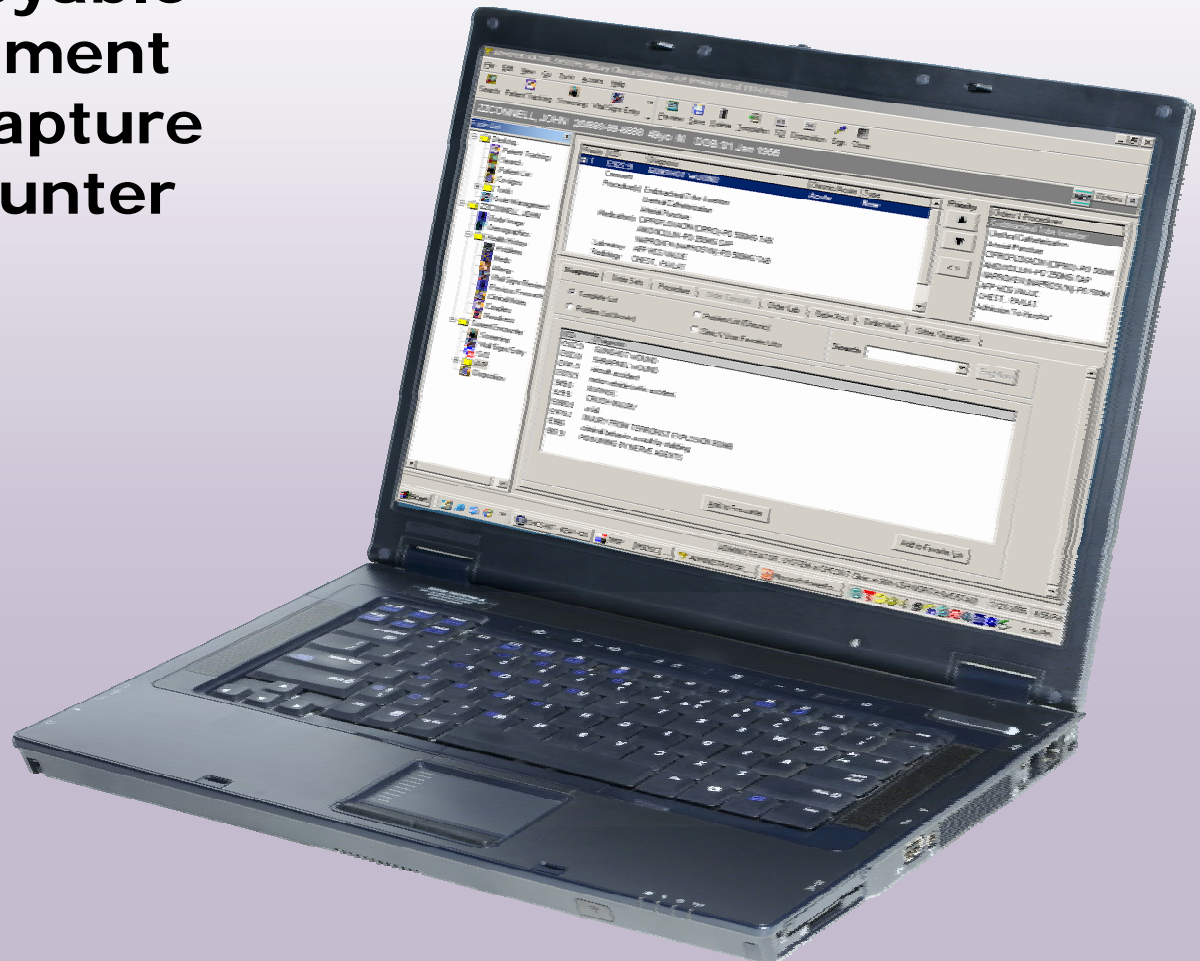
- » First responder application for a handheld device



AHLTA Theater



- » Used in deployable medical treatment facilities to capture medical encounter data



Joint Medical Work Station



- » Application for medical situational awareness and surveillance in support of Command & Control



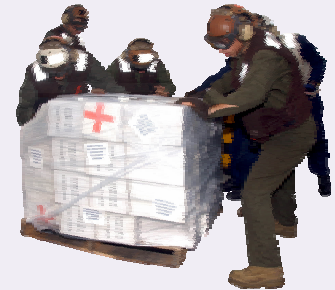
Other Applications



Defense Medical Logistics Standard Support (DMLSS) Customer Assistance Module (DCAM)

Web-based tool for replenishing medical supplies

Medical Logistics



Patient Movement Items Tracking System (PMITS)

Tracks medical equipment that travels with evacuated patients

Joint Patient Tracking Application (JPTA)

Tracks deployed patients' location

Patient Movement



U.S. Transportation Command Regulating and Command & Control Evacuation System (TRAC2ES)

Monitors and tracks patients leaving theater
via Air Force aero-evacuation (interface)

Potential Civilian Uses



- » **Natural Disaster Support**
- » **Humanitarian Assistance**
- » **Pandemic Outbreaks**
- » **Rural Health Care**
- » **Visiting Nurse Service**
- » **Public Schools**



Natural Disaster Support



- » Document care at triage and/or make-shift treatment facilities
- » Maintain continuity of care at temporary hospitals and clinics
- » Locate and track patients originating from the disaster area
- » Monitor status of disease outbreaks and medical services available in disaster areas
- » Order medical supplies

Humanitarian Assistance



- » **Document encounters and care provided during the mission**
- » **Store and transmit data for statistical reporting and results analysis**
- » **Manage available medical services**
- » **Order medical supplies**

Pandemic Outbreaks



- » **Track patients' location**
- » **Document treatment**
- » **Easily deployable system**
- » **Track severity and density of outbreak(s) within one or more sites**
- » **Collect and aggregate data from one or more locations for medical situational awareness and planning**

Rural Health Care



- » **Scalable**
- » **Operates in low bandwidth conditions**
- » **Low maintenance overhead**
- » **Maintains local database that can be shared**
- » **Flexible configuration to meet patient population and available medical services**

Visiting Nurse Service



- » **Patient's documentation at point-of-care**
 - **History**
 - **Progress**
 - **Medication**
- » **Mobile application that can share data**
- » **Physicians have electronic visibility of documented care from the visiting nurse service**
- » **Data can be shared with medical facilities, other physicians and nurses**

Public Schools



- » **Maintain portable student health records**
- » **Document treatment given at schools**
- » **Track physicals, immunizations, illnesses, medications and allergies**
- » **Share medical data for disease trend analysis**

Wrap Up



- » Theater complement to the Military's electronic health record
- » Addresses medical information management challenges in theater
- » Operates in austere environments
- » Scalable, portable, global, tactical

**Supporting the Military's
deployed medical
community**

Questions



For more information or to see a live demo,
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